(b) The charge shall be computed by the association on a semi-annual basis by dividing one-twelfth of the projected annual Universal Service Fund revenue requirement by the total number of common lines presubscribed to interexchange carriers defined in §69.116(a). Beginning on April 1, 1989, the association shall bill and collect the charge, and disburse associated revenue, on a monthly basis pursuant to §69.603(c).

(c) Telephone companies shall provide the association the data necessary to compute the charge. These data include the number of presubscribed common lines in each study area and the number of those lines associated with each interexchange carrier serving that study area. In a study area served by a single interexchange carrier, all common be considered presubscribed to that interexchange concerning Information carrier. presubscribed common lines shall be filed with the association on June 30 and December 30 of each year, except for the first such submission, containing presubscribed common line data calculated as of December 31, 1987, which shall be filed on August 1, 1988. Presubscribed common line data filed on June 30 shall be calculated as of December 31 of the preceding year, and presubscribed common line data filed on December 30 shall be calculated as of June 30 of the same year.

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§ 69.117 Lifeline assistance.

Effective August 1, 1988 through December 31, 1997

(a) A charge that is expressed in dollars and cents per line per month shall be assessed upon all interexchange carriers that use local exchange switching facilities for the provision of interstate or foreign telecommunications services and that have at least .05 percent of the total common lines presubscribed to interexchange carriers in all study areas

(b) The charge shall be computed by the association on a semi-annual basis by dividing the sum of one-twelfth of the projected annual Lifeline Assistance revenue requirement and one-twelfth of the projected annual revenue requirement calculated by all telephone companies pursuant to §69.104(1) by the number of common lines presubscribed to interexchange carriers defined in §69.117(a). Beginning on April 1, 1989, the association shall bill and collect the charge, and disburse associated revenue, on a monthly basis pursuant to §69.603(d).

(c) Telephone companies shall provide to the association the data necessary to compute the charge. These data shall include the number of presubscribed common lines in each study area and the number of those lines associated with each interexchange carrier serving that study area. In a study area served by a single interexchange carrier, all common be considered lines shall presubscribed to that interexchange carrier. Information concerning presubscribed common lines shall be filed with the association on June 30 and December 30 of each year, except for the first such submission, containing presubscribed common line data calculated as of December 31, 1987, which shall be filed on August 1, 1988. Presubscribed common line data filed on June 30 shall be calculated as of December 31 of the preceding year, and presubscribed common line data filed on December 30 shall be calculated as of June 30 of the same year.

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§ 69.118 Traffic sensitive switched services.

Notwithstanding §§ 69.4(b), 69.106. 69.109, 69.110, 69.111, 69.112, and 69.124, telephone companies subject to the BOC ONA Order, 4 FCC Rcd 1 (1988) shall, and other telephone companies may, establish approved Basic Service Elements as provided in Amendments of part 69 of the Commission's rules relating to the Creation of Access Charge Subelements for Open Network Architecture, Report and Order, 6 FCC Rcd 4524 (1991) and 800 data base subelements, as provided in Provision of Access for 800 Service, 8 FCC Rcd CC Docket 86-10, FCC 93-53 (1993).

CC Docket 86–10, FCC 93–53 (1993). Moreover, all customers that use basic

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800 database service shall be assessed a charge that is expressed in dollars and cents per query. Telephone companies shall take into account revenues from the relevant Basic Service Element or Elements and 800 Database Service Elements in computing rates for the Local Switching, Entrance Facilities, Tandem-Switched Transport, Direct-Trunked Transport, Interconnection Charge, and/or Information elements.

[58 FR 7868, Feb. 10, 1993]

§ 69.119 Basic service element expedited approval process.

The rules for filing comments and reply comments on requests for expedited approval of new basic service elements are those indicated in §1.45 of the rules, except as specified otherwise. [56 FR 33881, July 24, 1991]

§69.120 Line information database.

- (a) A charge that is expressed in dollars and cents per query shall be assessed upon all carriers that access validation information from a local exchange carrier database to recover the costs of:
- (1) The transmission facilities between the local exchange carrier's signalling transfer point and the database; and
- (2) The signalling transfer point facilities dedicated to the termination of the transmission facilities connecting the database to the exchange carrier's signalling network.
- (b) A charge that is expressed in dollars and cents per query shall be assessed upon all carriers that access validation information from a local exchange carrier line information database to recover the costs of the data-

[57 FR 24380, June 9, 1992]

§ 69.121 Connection charges for expanded interconnection.

(a) Appropriate connection charge subelements shall be established for the use of equipment and facilities that are associated with offerings of expanded interconnection for special access and switched transport services, as defined in part 64, subpart N of this chapter. To the extent that the same equipment and facilities are used to

provide expanded interconnection for both special access and switched transport, the same connection charge subelements shall be used.

- (1) A cross-connect subelement shall be established for charges associated with the cross-connect cable and associated facilities connecting the equipment owned by or dedicated to the use of the interconnector with the telephone company's equipment and facilities used to provide interstate special or switched access services. Charges for the cross-connect subelement shall not be deaveraged within a study area that is used for purposes of jurisdictional separations.
- (2) Charges for subelements associated with physical collocation or virtual collocation, other than the subelement described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section and subelements recovering the cost of the virtual collocation equipment described in §64.1401(e)(1) of this chapter, may reasonably differ in different central offices, notwithstanding §69.3(e)(7).
- (b) Connection charge subelements shall be computed based upon the costs associated with the equipment and facilities that are included in such subelements, including no more than a just and reasonable portion of the telephone company's overhead costs.
- (c) Connection charge subelements shall be assessed upon all interconnectors that use the equipment or facilities that are included in such subelements.

[57 FR 54332, Nov. 18, 1992, as amended by 58 FR 48764, Sept. 17, 1993; 59 FR 38930, Aug. 1, 1994]

§ 69.123 Density pricing zones for special access and switched transport.

- (a)(1) Incumbent local exchange carriers not subject to price cap regulation may establish any number of density zones within a study area that is used for purposes of jurisdictional separations, provided that each zone, except the highest-cost zone, accounts for at least 15 percent of that carrier's special access and transport revenues within that study area, calculated pursuant to the methodology set forth in §69.725.
- (2) Such a system of pricing zones shall be designed to reasonably reflect